- (iii) After completion of the project, no application for additional disaster assistance will be made for any purpose with respect to the property to any Federal entity or source, and no Federal entity or source will provide such assistance.
- (2) In general, allowable open space, recreational, and wetland management uses include parks for outdoor recreational activities, nature reserves, cultivation, grazing, camping (except where adequate warning time is not available to allow evacuation), temporary storage in the open of wheeled vehicles which are easily movable (except mobile homes), unimproved, previous parking lots, and buffer zones.
- (3) Any structures built on the property according to paragraph (d)(1) of this section, shall be floodproofed or elevated to the Base Flood Elevation plus one foot of freeboard.
- (f) Inapplicability of the Uniform Relocation Act. The Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 does not apply to real property acquisition projects which meet the criteria identified below:
- (1) The project provides for the purchase of property damaged by the major, widespread flooding in the States of Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wisconsin during 1993:
- (2) It provides for such purchase solely as a result of such flooding;
- (3) It is carried out by or through a State or unit of general local government;
- (4) The purchasing agency (grantee or subgrantee) notifies all potential property owners in writing that it will not use its power of eminent domain to acquire the properties if a voluntary agreement is not reached;
- (5) The project is being assisted with amounts made available for:
- (i) Disaster relief by the Federal Emergency Management Agency; or
- (ii) By other Federal financial assistance programs.
- (g) Duplication of programs. Section 404 funds cannot be used as a substitute or replacement to fund projects or programs that are available under other Federal authorities, except under lim-

ited circumstances in which there are extraordinary threats to lives, public health or safety or improved property.

(h) Packaging of programs. Section 404 funds may be packaged or used in combination with other Federal, State, local, or private funding sources when appropriate to develop a comprehensive mitigation solution, though section 404 funds cannot be used as a match for other Federal funds.

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## § 206.435 Project identification and selection criteria.

- (a) Identification. It is the State's responsibility to identify and select eligible hazard mitigation projects. All funded projects must be consistent with the State Mitigation Plan. Hazard Mitigation projects shall be identified and prioritized through the State, Indian tribal, and local planning process.
- (b) Selection. The State will establish procedures and priorities for the selection of mitigation measures. At a minimum the criteria must be consistent with the criteria stated in §206.434(b) and include:
- (1) Measures that best fit within an overall plan for development and/or hazard mitigation in the community, disaster area, or State;
- (2) Measures that, if not taken, will have a severe detrimental impact on the applicant, such as potential loss of life, loss of essential services, damage to critical facilities, or economic hardship on the community;
- (3) Measures that have the greatest potential impact on reducing future disaster losses;
- (c) Other considerations. In addition to the selection criteria noted above, consideration should be given to measures that are designed to accomplish multiple objectives including damage reduction, environmental enhancement, and economic recovery, when appropriate.

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## § 206.436 Application procedures.

(a) *General*. This section describes the procedures to be used by the grantee in submitting an application for HMGP

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funding. Under the HMGP, the State or Indian tribal government is the grantee and is responsible for processing subgrants to applicants in accordance with 44 CFR part 13 and this part 206. Subgrantees are accountable to the grantee.

- (b) Governor's Authorized Representative. The Governor's Authorized Representative serves as the grant administrator for all funds provided under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. The Governor's Authorized Representative's responsibilities as they pertain to procedures outlined in this section include providing technical advice and assistance to eligible subgrantees, and ensuring that all potential applicants are aware of assistance available and submission of those documents necessary for grant award.
- (c) Hazard mitigation application. Upon identification of mitigation measures, the State (Governor's Authorized Representative) will submit its Hazard Mitigation Grant Program application to the FEMA Regional Director. The application will identify one or more mitigation measures for which funding is requested. The application must include a Standard Form (SF) 424, Application for Federal Assistance, SF 424D, Assurances for Construction Programs, if appropriate, and an narrative statement. The narrative statement will contain any pertinent project management information not included in the State's administrative plan for Hazard Mitigation. The narrative statement will also serve to identify the specific mitigation measures for which funding is requested. Information required for each mitigation measure shall include the following:
  - (1) Name of the subgrantee, if any;
- (2) State or local contact for the measure;
  - (3) Location of the project;
  - (4) Description of the measure;
  - (5) Cost estimate for the measure;
- (6) Analysis of the measure's cost-effectiveness and substantial risk reduction, consistent with §206.434(c);
  - (7) Work schedule;
  - (8) Justification for selection;
  - (9) Alternatives considered;
- (10) Environmental information consistent with 44 CFR part 9, Floodplain Management and Protection of Wet-

lands, and 44 CFR part 10, Environmental Considerations.

- (d) Application submission time limit. The State's application may be amended as the State identifies and selects local project applications to be funded. The State must submit all local HMGP applications and funding requests for the purpose of identifying new projects to the Regional Director within 12 months of the date of disaster declaration.
- (e) Extensions. The State may request the Regional Director to extend the application time limit by 30 to 90 day increments, not to exceed a total of 180 days. The grantee must include a justification in its request.
- (f) FEMA approval. The application and supplement(s) will be submitted to the FEMA Regional Director for approval. FEMA has final approval authority for funding of all projects.
- (g) *Indian tribal grantees*. Indian tribal governments may submit a SF 424 directly to the Regional Director.

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## § 206.437 State administrative plan.

- (a) *General*. The State shall develop a plan for the administration of the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.
- (b) *Minimum criteria*. At a minimum, the State administrative plan must include the items listed below:
- (1) Designation of the State agency will have responsibility for program administration;
- (2) Identification of the State Hazard Mitigation Officer responsible for all matters related to the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.
- (3) Determination of staffing requirements and sources of staff necessary for administration of the program;
  - (4) Establishment of procedures to:
- (i) Identify and notify potential applicants (subgrantees) of the availability of the program;
- (ii) Ensure that potential applicants are provided information on the application process, program eligibility and key deadlines:
- (iii) Determine applicant eligibility;
- (iv) Conduct environmental and floodplain management reviews;
- (v) Establish priorities for selection of mitigation projects;